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ANNUAL REPORT

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MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

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Hutchins Brothers, Thorndike, Maine

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
LEWIS GRAY
Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
FRANKLIN PETERS DOROTHY ALBIN
EDWARD J. RENAUD, JR.
Town Treasurer
DOROTHY L. BRADEEN
Director of M. S. A. D. No. 34
JOHN SCHOLZ
Superintendent
RICHARD E. A. MARKS
Health Officer
RUTH KILLEEN
Fire Chief
GEORGE SPROWL
Constables
CHARLES R. MacKENZIE DAVID SIMMONS
Sexton
CHARLES R. MacKENZIE
Registrar of Voters
ELINOR L. MacKENZIE
Civil Defense Director
ARTHUR BUCK
Ballot Clerks
VIDA MEHUREN CAROLINE MORSE
MARGIE GROVER BERNIECE KEENE
Alternate Ballot Clerks
MARGARET WOOD ANTINA BUCK
EVELYN LUCAS FAYE BENNER

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Real Estate, Resident	$665,515.00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	292,495.00	
		$958,010.00
Personal Estate, Resident	$221,785.00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	32,465.00	
		$254,250.00
Total Value of Real and Personal Estate		$1,212,260.00

Taxable Livestock and Fowl

201 Cows, Beef etc.	$20,100.00	
Domestic Fowl, over 50 in number 209,036	24,185.00	
Other Taxable Livestock	2,630.00	
		$46,915.00

Other Personal Property

Stock in Trade	$10,200.00	
Machinery and Equipment	99,800.00	
Watercraft	9,670.00	
Wood, Lumber and Logs	73,680.00	
Other Kinds of Taxable Property	13,985.00	
		$207,335.00
Total Personal Property		$254,250.00

Exempt

184 Livestock 24 mos. & younger	$4,600.00	
14 Exempt Polls	42.00	
		$4,642.00

Assessments

178 Polls	$534.00	
Real Estate and Personal	123,650.52	
		$124,184.52

Appropriations

Tax Commitment, June 12, 1972		$124,184.52
Supplementary Commitment		51.00
State Revenue Sharing		3,601.14
Voted at Town Meeting	$30,880.00	
School Assessment	86,295.47	
County Tax	5,950.00	
Overlay	4,660.19	
Supplementary Tax	51.00	
	$127,836.66	127,836.66

Town Property

Land Formerly Old Town Hall Site	$ 100.00
Community Building and Land	4,400.00
Road Machinery	50.00
Road Sander	300.00
Snow Fence	700.00
Three Safes	75.00
One-Third Interest in Weights	30.00

One-Half Interest in 5 Gallon Measure	10.00
Office Furniture	275.00
One Adding Machine	125.00
One Typewriter	25.00
Fire Equipment	8,350.00
Fire House and Land	1,000.00
Two Walkie-Talkies	50.00
Four Two Radios	450.00
Two Sirens	70.00
Annex to Oak Grove Cemetery	500.00
State of Maine, Ruffingham Meadow	2,800.00
Hillcrest and Brown Property	3,000.00
	$22,298.00

Town Property Account

By Virtue of Tax Liens of Said Years
Norman Hall Property (formerly known as the heirs of Alexander Keene, Sr. Property.)
Russell and Margaret Knight

Excise Tax

Excise Tax Collections 1972		$10,014.77
Excise Tax Collections 1973		2,435.57
Transferred to Snow Removal	$12,450.34	
	$12,450.34	$12,450.34

Overlay

June 12, 1972		$4,660.19
To Surplus	$4,660.19	

Abatements (1972)

Poll Taxes:		
George Barrett (non-resident)	$3.00	
Blanchard Bryant (deceased)	3.00	
Arthur Buck (exempt)	3.00	
Carl Gelo (non-resident)	3.00	
Harry Haynes (non-resident)	3.00	
Warren Heath, Jr. (duplicate)	3.00	
Charles Jewell (non-resident)	3.00	
George Mills (exempt)	3.00	
Jack Ross (non-resident)	3.00	
Frederick Sinclair (exempt)	3.00	
		$30.00
Personal Taxes:		
Vernon Fuller	$ 5.10	
Harriet Morrow	10.20	
Harold Wiley	5.10	
		$20.40
Real Estate Taxes:		
Oscar Bryant, Jr.	$40.80	
Arthur Buck	173.40	
Warren Heath, Jr. (duplicate)	153.00	
Russell Knight	40.80	
Richard Merrifield	30.60	
Lucille Shimkus	48.96	
		$487.56
2% Discount Allowed on Taxes		$1,187.65
Charge to Surplus	$1,725.61	
	$1,725.61	$1,725.61

Abatements (1971)

Poll Tax		
Carl Gelo		$3.00
Personal Taxes:		
Harold Wiley		5.20
Charge to Surplus	$8.20	
	$8.20	$8.20

Abatements (1970)

Personal Taxes:		
Harold Wiley		$4.70
Charge to Surplus	$4.70	

Contingent

Appropriation		$1,000.00
Credits		885.36
Total		$1,885.36
Distribution:		
Field and Quimby, Inc.	$288.00	
Depositors Trust Co.	44.07	
Dorothy Bradeen	302.42	
Forest Bradeen	10.00	
State of Maine (Audit)	400.00	
Republican Journal	5.20	
	$1,049.69	$1,885.36
Balance to Surplus	835.67	
	$1,885.36	$1,885.36

Tax Collector's Commission

Appropriation:		$2,200.00
Distribution:		
Dorothy Bradeen	$1,900.79	
Balance to Surplus	299.79	
	$2,200.00	$2,200.00

Maine Municipal Association

Appropriation:		$155.00
Distribution:		
Maine Municipal Association	$155.00	
	$155.00	$155.00

Town Officers' Salaries

Appropriation:		$2,200.00
Distribution:		
Lewis Gray, Moderator	$ 15.00	
Dorothy Bradeen (Treasurer)	200.00	
Dorothy Bradeen (Town Clerk)	75.00	
Berniece Keene (Ballot Clerk)	51.00	
Marjorie Grover (Ballot Clerk)	24.48	
Irene Mehuren (Ballot Clerk)	24.48	
Caroline Morse (Ballot Clerk)	51.00	
Vida Mehuren (Ballot Clerk)	26.52	
Mararet Wood (Ballot Clerk)	26.52	
Ruth Killeen (Health Officer)	25.00	
Elinor MacKenzie (Registrar)	100.00	
Charles MacKenzie (Constable)	59.92	

George Sprowl (Fire Chief)	200.00	
Edward Renaud (3rd Selectman)	350.00	
Dorothy Albin (2nd Selectman)	350.00	
Frank Peters (1st Selectman)	600.00	
	$2,178.92	
Balance to Surplus	21.08	
	$2,200.00	$2,200.00

Town Report, Fuel and Office Supplies

Appropriation:		$1,500.00
Distribution:		
Elinor MacKenzie	$53.04	
Frost and Wilkins	839.65	
Loring, Short and Harmon	259.04	
Maine Telephone Co.	166.14	
Central Maine Power Co.	134.19	
Depositor's Trust Co.	13.59	
Marks Printing House	68.63	
Hutchins Brothers	324.00	
Thelma Ratten	72.00	
Edward Renaud	5.00	
C. E. Howes	1.75	
Branham Publishing Company	9.80	
Republican Journal	11.20	
	$1,958.03	
Overdraft Charge to Surplus		$458.03
	$1,958.03	$1,958.03

Fire Department Equipment

Appropriation:		$2,000.00
Credits		75.00
Distribution:		
Frost and Wilkins	$ 95.82	
Field and Quimby, Inc.	227.00	
Maine Telephone Company	396.49	
Carol C. Banks	3.93	
Blanchard Associates	1,082.12	
Central Maine Power Co.	44.85	
Heath's Garage	147.08	
C. E. Howes	9.41	
Sprowl Brothers	6.70	
	$2,013.40	
Balance to Surplus	61.60	
	$2,075.00	$2,075.00

Fire Department Men

Carried Forward from 1972		$25.00
Balance Carried Forward to 1973	$25.00	

Street Lights

Appropriation		$700.00
Distribution:		
Central Maine Power Co.	$688.90	
Balance to Surplus	11.10	
	$700.00	$700.00

Civil Defense

1972 Balance Carried Forward		$398.20
Distribution:		
George A. Sprague	$124.00	
Balance Carried to 1973	274.20	
	$398.20	$398.20

Pine Tree Blister Rust Control

Appropriation		$200.00
Distribution:		
Pine Tree Blister Rust Control	$200.00	

Mid-Coast Mental Health Clinic

Appropriation		$75.00
Balance to Surplus	$75.00	

Health Clinics

Appropriation		$25.00
Distribution:		
Dr. Euclid Hanbury	$15.00	
Balance to Surplus	10.00	
	$25.00	$25.00

Town Dump

Appropriation	$1,000.00

Distribution:

Basil Pearse	$168.25	
Howard Clark	176.00	
Ronald Fuller	98.40	
Cynthia Ames	10.00	
	452.65	
Balance carried to 1973	547.35	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Liberty Volunteer Ambulance Service

Appropriation		$200.00
Distribution:		
L. V. A. S.	$200.00	

T. R. I.

Apportioned by State 1972/1973		$3,742.00
Balance 1971		16.81
Total Fund		$3,758.81
Distribution:		
Bancroft and Martin	$287.97	
C. W. Drinkwater	241.32	
Howard Clark	237.00	
Frederick Lucas	1,815.17	
Allen Moody	225.00	
Harold Dyer	229.50	
Steven Childs	67.51	
Floyd Work	266.63	
Richard Ames	205.05	

Arnold Abbott	51.85	
Alton Hammond	271.00	
	$3,898.00	
Overdraft charge to surplus		139.19
	$3,898.00	$3,898.00

State Aid Roads

(Reported by Maine State Highway Commision)

1970 Balance		$332.67
1971 Balance		2,184.12
1972 Appropriation (6 units)		3,600.00
State Apportionment		6,300.00
Bonus on 1972 Funds		3,960.00
Total expended by State	$10,808.68	
Unexpended Balances	5,568.11	
	$16,376.79	$16,376.79

Roads and Bridges

Appropriation:		$5,000.00

Distribution:

North (F. N. Lucas)

F. N. Lucas	$1,209.09
Marriners, Inc.	320.54
W. H. Shurtleff Co.	123.20
Sprowl Brothers	157.35
Howard Clark	12.00
C. W. Drinkwater	12.00
Arnold Abbott	103.70
	$1,937.88

East (C. W. Drinkwater)

C. W. Drinkwater	566.36
Marriners, Inc.	45.39
W. H. Shurtleff Co.	246.40
Bancroft and Martin, Inc.	188.53
Arnold Abbott	279.99
W. B. Pollard	44.88
Howard Clark	72.00
Charlie Weggler	20.40
Carroll Frost	132.24
	$1,596.19

South (Howard Clark)

Howard Clark	532.00
Marriners, Inc.	42.08
W. H. Shurtleff Co.	246.40
Fred Lucas	122.22
Arnold Abbott	248.88
C. W. Drinkwater	248.16
Richard Ames	6.00
Allen Moody	18.00
Harold Dyer	20.25
Floyd Work	20.25
Alton Hammond	10.90
	$1,515.14

Total 3 Accounts	$5,049.21	
Overdraft Charge to Surplus		$49.21
	$5,049.21	$5,049.21

Snow Removal

Appropriation (Excise Tax)	$12,450.34
State of Maine	3,996.00
Total	$16,446.34

Distribution: (Ploughing)

Warren Heath, Sr.	$3,302.10
Ronald Fuller	2,275.84
Depositors Trust Co.	1,133.15
Basil Pearse	34.68
Edwin Fuller	325.38
Donald Fuller	68.34
Russell Fuller	59.16
Rodney Fuller	69.95
Warren Heath, Jr.	355.77
Charles MacKenzie	369.24
Wallace Heath	12.24
Basil Pearse, Jr.	152.01
Paul Pearse	20.40
Ronald Fuller, Jr.	59.16
Carl Gelo	27.99
Stephen Lucas	128.88
Fred Lucas	523.88
Ken, Whitehead	360.77
Alva Pollard	14.28
James Bradeen	79.40
Arnold Abbott	155.55
Arnold Wing	14.28
Terry Fuller	14.28
Norman Roberts	65.28
Bertram MacKenzie	34.12
Hall Hardware Co.	22.50
T. W. Dick Co. Inc.	320.03
	$9,998.66

(Sanding)

Warren Heath, Sr.	$1,944.00	
Ronald Fuller	1,818.91	
Frederick Lucas	2,233.00	
Charles MacKenzie	324.36	
Warren Heath, Jr.	110.16	
Basil Pearse	30.60	
Edwin Fuller	48.96	
Ronald Fuller, Jr.	4.08	
Wallace Heath	18.36	
Carl Gelo	18.36	
James Bartlett	340.20	
Terry Fuller	55.08	
Arnold Wing	24.48	
Ken Whitehead	13.26	
Basil Pearse, Jr.	14.28	
Heath's Garage	27.95	
Norman Roberts	34.68	
Bryant Steel Works	1.60	
Field and Quimby,Inc.	25.00	
W. H. Shurtleff Co.	$1,239.59	
	$8,326.91	
Total Snow Removal	$18,325.57	
Overdraft Charge to Surplus		$1,879.23
	$18,325.57	$18,325.57

Maintenance—Belfast-Union Road (South)

Appropriation:		$500.00
Distribution:		
Howard Clark	$ 36.00	
C. W. Drinkwater	36.00	

Allen Moody	36.00	
Harold Dyer	40.50	
Floyd Work	40.50	
Alton Hammond	66.50	
Fred Lucas	244.44	
	$499.94	
Balance to Surplus	.06	
	$500.00	$500.00

Tarring Borough Road

Appropriation:		$2,000.00
Distribution:		
State of Maine	$2,478.34	
Overdraft - Charge to Surplus		478.34
	$2,478.34	$2,478.34

Tarring Ghent Hill Road

Appropriation:		$1,000.00
Distribution:		
State of Maine	$1,058.80	
Overdraft Charge to Surplus		58.80

Tarring Moody Mt. Road

Appropriation:		$500.00
Distribution:		
State of Maine	$500.00	
	$500.00	$500.00

Maintenance—Pond Road

Appropriation:		$500.00
Distribution:		
C. W. Drinkwater	$175.14	
Fred Lucas	122.22	
Howard Clark	38.49	
Arnold Abbott	31.11	
Allen Moody	18.00	
Harold Dyer	20.25	
Floyd Work	20.25	
Alton Hammond	26.30	
	$451.76	
Balance to Surplus	48.24	
	$500.00	$500.00

Maintenance—Robbins Road

Appropriation:		$200.00
Distribution:		
C. W. Drinkwater	$134.17	
Howard Clark	26.99	
Arnold Abbott	20.74	
	$181.90	
Balance to Surplus	18.10	
	$200.00	$200.00

Tarring West Appleton Road

Appropriation:	$500.00

Distribution:		
State of Maine	$500.00	
	$500.00	$500.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriation:		$100.00
Distribution:		
Rockland Convalescent Center	$ 42.63	
Balance to Surplus	57.37	
	$100.00	$100.00

Poor Relief

Appropriation:		$1,000.00
Distribution:		
Cottle's Market	$ 60.00	
Hills Rexall Drugs	271.30	
Frost and Wilkins	140.47	
Kirk Drug Inc.	16.00	
Coombs Funeral Home	120.00	
Liberty Volunteer Ambulance	29.35	
Town of China	94.50	
	$731.62	
Balance to Surplus	268.38	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

Surplus Food

Appropriation:		$300.00
Distribution:		
Waldo County Committee for Social Action	$279.50	
Balance to Surplus	20.50	
	$300.00	$300.00

Veterans' Aid

Appropriation:		$25.00
Balance to Surplus	$25.00	
	$25.00	$25.00

M. S. A. D. No. 34

Assessment		$86,295.47
Paid MSAD No. 34	$86,295.47	
	$86,295.47	$86,295.47

Cemetery and Flags

Appropriation:		$450.00
Credits (Perpetual Care)		125.00
Interest from Trust		528.30
Distribution:		
Joseph Rutigliano	$ 34.68	
James Bradeen	18.36	
Warren Heath, Jr.	187.68	

Arnold Wing	28.56	
Charles MacKenzie	169.32	
Wallace Heath	126.48	
Paul Ames	48.96	
C. E. Howes	16.88	
Home Supply Center	46.20	
Oak Grove Cemetery Assoc.	238.07	
	$915.19	
Balance to Surplus	188.11	
	$1,103.30	$1,103.30

Community Building

Appropriation:		$1,000.00
1971 Balance Carried Over		206.68
Distribution:		
Keith Roberts	$ 110.14	
Sprowl Bros. Inc.	260.80	
C. E. Howes	2.10	
Glen Martin	143.75	
Don Lucas	190.75	
Paul Green	412.00	
Charles MacKenzie	16.32	
	$1,135.86	
Balance to Surplus	70.82	
	$1,206.68	$1,206.68

Maine Community Betterment

Appropriation:	$150.00

Distribution:

James Bradeen	$121.50	
Sprowl Brothers, Inc.	$ 5.50	
	$127.00	
Balance to Surplus	23.00	
	$150.00	$150.00

Workman's Compensation Insurance

Appropriation:		$300.00
Distribution:		
Field and Quimby, Inc.	$345.00	
Overdraft Charge to Surplus		45.00
	$345.00	$345.00

Interest on Loans

Appropriation:		$1,500.00
Interest Earned (Bangor Savings Bank)		1,710.57
Distribution:		
Interest Paid Depositors Trust Co.	$1,265.95	
Balance to Surplus	1,944.62	
	$3,210.57	$3,210.57

Temporary Loans

Borrowed from Depositors Trust Co.		$41,000.00
Repaid Depositors Trust Co.	$41,000.00	
	$41,000.00	$41,000.00

County Tax

Assessment:		$5,950.00
Paid County Treasurer	$5,950.00	
	$5,950.00	$5,950.00

Accounts Receivable

Due from:		
City of Belfast (Paul Cushman)		$ 73.00
Sherry Hall		39.25
Paid to Liberty Vol. Ambulance	$112.25	
	$112.25	$112.25

Surplus Account

Feb. 1, 1972, Balance as per Audit		$21,552.13
Revenue Sharing, State of Maine		3,601.14
Revenue Sharing, Federal Government		9,218.00
Balances in Appropriations Not Carried Forward		3,978.44
Supplemental Taxes, 1972		51.00
Supplemental Taxes, Prior Years		3.00
Less:		
Appropriations Overdrawn	$3,107.80	
Tax Abatements, 1972	537.96	
Tax Abatements, Prior Years	12.90	
2% Discount Allowed	1,187.65	
Unappropriated Surplus, Feb. 1, 1973	33,557.40	
	$38,403.71	$38,403.71

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1972 Tax Commitment	$124,184.52	
Supplemental Taxes	51.00	
Overpayment (Refunded)	179.93	
		$124,415.45
Cash Collections	113,892.48	
Abatements	537.96	
Discounts	1,187.65	
		115,618.09
Taxes Receivable February 1, 1973		$8,797.36
Excise Taxes Collected	$12,450.34	

1972 Taxes Receivable - February 1, 1973

* Denotes paid after books closed
** Denotes part payment after books closed

Butler, Maurice	$122.40
Chandler, Earl	246.84
Callahan, Malcolm & Margaret	207.28
Clark, George	25.50
Clark, Everett	3.00
Callahan, Malcolm, Jr.	3.00
Dyer, Eugene	130.50
Durgin, Joseph	153.00
Davis, Edward	3.00
Erskine, Ernest	112.20
**Fuller, Rodney	105.00
Fuller, Norman	109.14

Fuller, Glenn	71.40	
Gelo, Heirs of Clarence	208.08	
Gibbs, Arthur	219.24	
Gleason, Harry	3.00	
Hope, Peter	3.00	
Hall, Ronald	3.00	
Leadbetter, Heirs of Norman	133.62	
Leavenworth, William	426.30	
*LeSan, Albert	3.00	
MacCallum, Estate of Chester	143.82	
Merrifield, Richard & Ruth	230.46	
McCafferty, Thomas	282.54	
*Mehuren, Donald	1,720.68	
Merrifield, Harlen	115.20	
Pert, Edgar	132.60	
Perry, Paul W.	360.00	
Robinson, Francis	43.80	
Schvertt, Silvano	3.00	
**Sweetland, Charlotte & Wilbur	112.14	
Scott, Edward, Jr.	3.00	
Smith, Harry	137.70	
*Simmons, David	46.99	
Seagle, Carl	156.00	
Willey, Phillip	163.20	
Wiley, Harold	64.20	
Whitehead, Kenneth II	162.54	
		6,169.37

Non-Resident

Butler, Herbert	$ 10.20
Cobb, Madeline (A. LeSan)	81.60
Carleton, William, Jr.	81.60
*DeCortin, Gustave	1,053.15
Elwell, Ralph	20.40

*Garbus, Lou	115.22	
Hooper, Ernest	10.20	
Haendel, George	61.20	
*Hudson, Alfred	61.20	
Heyes, Fred III	30.60	
Hurst, Priscilla	15.30	
Joy. Malcolm	20.40	
*Knight, Russell E.	112.20	
Keene, Alexander C.	142.80	
Littlefield, Minnie	10.20	
Landry, Myles R.	278.46	
Morgan, Gertrude	10.20	
Moore, Clayton	61.20	
Smith, Katherine	132.60	
Sweetland, Joyce	46.92	
Santos, Donald	112.20	
Technology Search, Inc.	142.80	
*Westerfield David	17.34	
		2,627.99
		$8,797.36

1968 Taxes Receivable

1968 Taxes Receivable Feb. 1, 1973	$9.50
Due from Douglas Ripley	9.50

1969 Taxes Receivable

1969 Taxes Receivable Feb. 1, 1972	30.60
Collected	6.30
Due from Charles Jewell	24.30

1970 Taxes Receivable

1970 Taxes Receivable Feb. 1, 1972	42.48

Collected	$6.58		
Abated		4.70	
		11.28	
Due from James Birkbeck		31.20	

1971 Taxes Receivable

1971 Taxes Receivable Feb. 1, 1972		7,921.92	
Supplemental Tax		3.00	
			7,924.92
Cash Collections		2,183.91	
To Tax Liens		5,604.32	
Abatements and Adjustment		47.49	
			7,835.72
			89.20
Outstanding:			
Isaiah Davis, Jr.		83.20	
Steven Seekins		3.00	
Earle Chandler		3.00	
			89.20

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY BRADEEN

Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand Feb. 1, 1972		$12,307.98
Received from:		
Dorothy Bradeen, Tax Collector		
1969 Taxes	6.30	
1970 Taxes	6.58	
1971 Taxes	2,183.91	
1972 Taxes	113,892.48	
Ten Day Notices	7.00	
Interest on Taxes 1970	.65	
Interest on Taxes 1971	43.13	
Interest on Taxes 1972	92.58	
1972 Excise Taxes	10,014.77	
1973 Excise Taxes	2,435.57	
		128,682.97
Depositors Trust Co., Loans		41,000.00
Bangor Savings Bank, Savings Account		109,210.57
Received from State Treasurer:		
Snowmobile Refund	264.00	
Snow Removal	3,996.00	
Revenue Sharing	3,601.14	
Dog License	24.23	
Bank Tax Refund (Stock)	10.77	
Town Road Improvement	3,758.81	
Health and Welfare Refund	57.18	
		11,712.13

Fire Department Donations:		
Franklin Peters	50.00	
Florence Wandling	25.00	
		75.00
Cemetery, Sale of Lots:		
Elmer Durgin	35.00	
Russell Bennett, Sr.	35.00	
Bessie White (Bal. of)	10.00	
Jennie Pearse	35.00	
Perpetual Care:		
John Farrar	10.00	
Bangor Savings Bank, Income from Trust Funds	528.30	
		653.30
Treas. of U.S.A., Federal Revenue Sharing		9,218.00
Field & Quimby, Return Pre., Fire Insurance		4.00
Town of Searsmont, Maine Municipal Assoc. Dues		155.00
Received from 1970 Tax Lien Sales:		
Harry and Lena Smith	126.90	
Norman Fuller, Sr. (bal.)	75.17	
James Carleton	78.08	
Earle Chandler (bal.)	3.98	
Arthur Voerman	112.80	
Phillip Willey	138.84	
Gardner Fuller	150.40	
Arthur Gibbs	161.68	
Carl Gelo	191.76	
Richard Merrifield	197.40	
Clyde & Virginia Ripley	125.96	
Arthur Leadbetter	123.14	

Herbert Butler	9.40	
Maurice Butler	112.80	
		1,608.21
Interest and Lien Costs		248.64
Received from 1971 Tax Lien Sales:		
Malcolm and Margaret Callahan	251.44	
Edgar and Paulette Pert	12.00	
Richard Hutchinson	40.93	
Esther K. Fuller	148.60	
Harry Bickford	74.36	
Gardner Fuller	166.40	
Clayton Moore	62.40	
Clyde and Virginia Ripley	139.36	
Merle Warren	31.20	
Walter Lamont for Jery Murphy	52.00	
Joseph Durgin	37.00	
Alton Allenwood	921.44	
Harry and Lena Smith	60.00	
		1,997.13
Interest and Lien Costs		191.36
Total Receipts Plus Cash on Hand Feb. 1, '72		317,064.29
Less Warrants Paid		305,289.90
Cash on Hand Feb. 1, 1973		11,774.39

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY L. BRADEEN

Treasurer

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Number of Marriages of Residents of Searsmont	12
Number of Births to Residents of Searsmont	8
Number of Deaths of Residents of Searsmont	5
Number of Persons Buried in Searsmont	9

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY L. BRADEEN

Town Clerk

AUDITOR'S REPORT

State of Maine

DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

Augusta, Maine

May 8, 1972

Board of Selectmen
Searsmont,
Maine

In accordance with Title 30, Section 5253, Maine Revised Statutes Annotated of 1964, as amended, an audit has been conducted of the financial records of the Town of Searsmont for the fiscal year ended February 1, 1972.

The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the exhibits and schedules incorporated in this report present fairly the financial position of the Town at February 1, 1972, and the results of the financial operations for the period indicated.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT, JR.

State Auditor

SCOPE OF AUDIT

The system of internal control was reviewed as it pertained to the handling of cash and other matters of financial concern. Cash accounts were verified by reconciliation of bank statements and count of cash.

An analysis was made of receipts and deposits as well as expenditures and bank charges. Voucher, payrolls and canceled checks were examined on a selective basis. Letters of confirmation were used on a test basis to verify the correctness of recorded assets and liabilities.

Revenue accruing to the municipality from various sources was examined and checked to pertinent records. Records of the town meeting, as they pertained to financial matters, were reviewed. Trust and special fund transactions were checked. Insurance and surety bond coverages were determined.

COMMENTS

DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

The fiscal year's operations showed that a net unexpended departmental balance of $6,884.45 was lapsed to unappropriated surplus, per the following summary:

Departmental Accounts:	
Unexpended Balances	$9,884.31
Overdrafts	2,999.86
Net Unexpended Balance	$6,884.45

The overlay and unexpended balances in the loan interest and snow removal accounts less tax abatements and discounts and an overdraft in the local poor account were the major factors contributing to the net unexpended departmental balance lapsed. The records did not indicate any authority had been granted by the legislative body to allow overdrafts in appropriation accounts.

The following comments pertain to the accompanying financial statements:

ASSETS ..... The general cash balance was $12,357.98 at the year end. The bank balance used in reconciling the cash balance was confirmed by the depository. A change fund of $50.00 was on hand and in custody of the tax collector.

Taxes receivable of $8,004.50 represented current year accounts of $7,921.92 and prior years' accounts totaling $82.58 dating from 1968. Tax liens and tax acquired property amounted to $1,671.13 and $148.60 respectively.

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS ..... Unexpended department account balances totaling $630.08 are carried forward to the ensuing year per town vote.

The unappropriated surplus amounted to $21,552.13, an increase of $8,528.73 for the year. This changs was occasioned principally by the net unexpended departmental balance lapsed and state refunds.

TRUST FUNDS ..... Trust fund principals totaled $18,766.26 and unexpended income was $6,328.18. The trust funds were represented by bank deposits totaling $13,594.44 and securities of $11,500.00. The deposits were confirmed by the bank and the securities were physically checked at the Depositors Trust Company, Belfast, Maine.

SPECIAL FUNDS ..... The Marriner School Fund of $619.50 and the School Building Fund of $2,288.40 were confirmed as being on deposit in the Bangor Savings Bank, Belfast, Maine.

GENERAL ..... The use of all excise tax revenue for snow removal purposes was voter authorized at the annual town meeting.

EXHIBIT A

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

	February 1, 1972	February 1, 1971
GENERAL FUND		
ASSETS		
Cash on Hand and In Bank	$12,357.98	$4,093.48
Accounts Receivable		2,997.38
Taxes Receivable	8,004.50	5,261.57
Tax Liens	1,671.13	1,324.65
Tax Acquired Property	148.60	33.40
Total	$22,182.21	$13,710.48

TRUST AND SPECIAL FUNDS

ASSETS				
Trust Funds:				
Time Deposits	$13,594.44		$12,365.28	
Securities	11,500.00		11,500.00	
		$25,094.44		$23,865.28
Special Funds:				
Time Deposits		2,907.90		2,781.05

Total	$28,002.34	$26,646.33

	February 1, 1972	February 1, 1971

GENERAL FUND

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS

Reserves:		
Departmental Balances Carried (Exhibit D)	$ 630.08	$ 687.08
Surplus:		
Unappropriated (Ex. C)	21,552.13	13,023.40
Total	$22,182.21	$13,710.48

TRUST AND SPECIAL FUNDS

LIABILITIES

Trust Funds:				
Cemetery Perpetual Care	11,680.65		10,968.89	
Worthy Poor	13,413.79		12,896.39	
		$25,094.44		$23,865.28
Special Funds:				
Marriner School Fd.	619.50		592.47	
School Bldg. Fd.	2,288.40		2,188.58	
		2,907.90		2,781.05
Total		$28,002.34		$26,646.33

EXHIBIT D

STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ended February 1, 1972

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures	.....Balances..... Lapsed	Carried
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
Town Officers' Salaries	$2,200.00	$	$2,200.00	$2,037.72	$ 162.28	$
Contingent	1,000.00	589.02	1,589.02	1,185.25	403.77	
Tax Coll's. Commiss.	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,946.50	53.50	
Town Reports, Office Supplies ,etc.	1,000.00	15.00	1,015.00	1,192.56	(177.56)	
PROTECTION						
Civil Defense		398.20	398.20			398.20
Street Lights	642.00		642.00	637.50	4.50	
Fire Department - Men		25.00	25.00			25.00
- Equipment	1,200.00	343.88	1,543.88	1,582.74	(38.86)	
Workmen's Compen.	200.00	8.00	208.00	268.00	(60.00)	

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures	.....Balances..... Lapsed	Carried
Liberty Volunteer Ambulance Service	200.00		200.00	200.00		
REALTH AND SANITATION						
Health Clinic	50.00		50.00	14.07	35.93	
Town Dump	400.00	29.30	429.30	405.60	23.70	
Mid-Coast Men. H. Clinic	50.00		50.00	50.00		
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES						
Roads and Bridges	5,000.00		5,000.00	4,206.50	793.50	
Snow Removal		14,990.22	14,990.22	13,789.06	1,201.16	
State Aid Rd. Constr.	3,600.00		3,600.00	3,600.00		
Town Road Improvement		3,126.85	3,126.85	3,126.85		
Tarring - New Eng. Rd.	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,017.52	(17.52)	
- Pond Road	500.00		500.00	409.15	90.85	
- Moody Mount'n Rd.	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
- Muzzy Ridge Road	1,000.00		1,000.00	930.28	69.72	

	Appropri-ations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expendi-tures	.....Balances..... Lapsed	Carried
- West Appleton Road	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		
- Ghent Hill Road	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
Pond Road	800.00		800.00	774.47	25.53	
Robbins Road	200.00		200.00	197.61	2.39	
Belfast-Union Rd. South	500.00		500.00	502.29	(2.29)	
- East	500.00		500.00	494.40	5.60	
Sander Repairs	200.00		200.00	200.00		
WELFARE						
Aid to Dep. Children	1,300.00		1,300.00	1,309.32	(9.32)	
Veterans' Aid	25.00		25.00		25.00	
Local Poor	500.00	35.00	535.00	1,541.98	(1,006.98)	
Old Age Assistance	300.00		300.00	81.83	218.17	
Surplus Food	300.00		300.00	291.50	8.50	
CEMETERIES						
Maintenance	450.00	516.44	966.44	854.04	112.40	

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures	.....Balances..... Lapsed	Carried
DEBT AND INTEREST						
Interest	3,000.00	476.10	3,476.10	840.56	2,635.54	
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS						
S. A. D. No. 34	79,747.73		79,747.73	79,747.73		
County Tax	5,950.00		5,950.00	5,950.00		
Overlay	3,934.07		3,934.07		3,934.07	
UNCLASSIFIED						
Community Building	1,000.00		1,000.00	793.12		206.88
Me. Comm. Betterment	100.00	200.00	300.00	305.00	(5.00)	
Supplemental Taxes		78.20	78.20		78.20	
Tax Abatements				527.61	(527.61)	
Tax Discounts				1,154.72	(1,154.72)	
Total	$122,848.80	20,831.21	143,680.01	136,165.48	6,884.45	630.08

TOWN WARRANT

To Charles R. MacKenzie, a Constable of the Town of Searsmont, in the County of Waldo, Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Searsmont, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble in the New School Building in the Village in said Town on the 10th day of March, A. D. 1973 at 10 A. M. Eastern Standard Time, to act on the following articles, to wit:

(The amounts listed below were recommended at the Budget Meeting, Feb. 8, 1973.)

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting. Linwood Gray

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year. Dorothy Bracken

Art. 3. To see if the Town will accept the report of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor for the past year. yes subject to State audit

Art. 4. To see what wages the Town will pay to the following:

(a) Men and Equipment Current S. wages

(b) Health Officer ——— 25,00

(c) Town Clerk ——— 75,00

(d) Town Treasurer ——— 900,00

(e) Selectmen 1st 1000,00
2nd 500,00
3rd 500,00
2300.00

2300.00

(f) Fire Chief ——————— 900.00

(g) Registrar of Voters ——————— 100.00

(h) Civil Defense Director S. Mages

(i) All other Town Officers S. Mages

Art. 5. To choose three or more Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year. 1st Perry Lawrence
2nd Dorothy Allen
3rd Robert Wood

Art. 6. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year. Dorothy Bradeen

Art. 7. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year. N. Fred Lucas
E. Clarence Dinkmeier S. H. Clark

Art. 8. To choose a Collector of Taxes and to determine the method of collecting the same.
Dorothy Bradeen

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to grant a 2% more or less, abatement on taxes for voluntary cash payment on or before August 10, 1973. Yes 270

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote a ½% per month interest on taxes unpaid on December 1, 1973. Yes 270

Art. 11. To choose one or more Constables for the ensuing year. Charles MacKinnie
Warren Heath Jr.

Art. 12. To choose all other Town Officers:

(a) Fire Chief George Sproul

(b) Registrar of Voters
Elmer MacKinnie

(c) Sexton Charles MacKenzie

(d) Civil Defense Director Arthur Buck

(e) Health Officer Louise MacKenzie

(f) Sealer of Weights & Measures Charles MacKenzie

SAD Committee — Duncan Shelley

Art. 13. To see what sum the Town will raise or appropriate for the Mid-Coast Mental Health Clinic. $75.00 75.00

Art. 14. To see what sum the Town will raise or appropriate for Health Clinics. $25.00 25.00

Art. 15. To see what sum the Town will raise or appropriate for Wokmen's Compensation Insurance. $400.00 400.00

Art. 16. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for State Aid Road Construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Title 23, MRSA, Sections 1101, 1103, or 1104. (6 units) $3,960.00 from surplus 950.00 Bills 1460.00

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for maintaining the Pond Road $500.00 1000.00

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Robbins Road, so called. $200.00 500.00

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Roads and Bridges. $5,000.00 5000.00

from surplus

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for maintaining the Appleton Ridge Road. $1,000.00 1000.00

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for tarring Thompson Ridge Road. $1,500.00 1500.00

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for tarring the Ghent Hill Road. $500.00 500.00

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for maintaining the Belfast-Union Road (South). $1,000.00 1000.00

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for tarring the West Appleton Road. $200.00 200.00

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for tarring the New England Road. $2,000.00 2000.00

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will riase and appropriate for maintaining the Morrow Road. $200.00 200.00

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the following purposes:

(a) Commission of Tax Collector $2,200.00 2200.00

(b) Town Officers' Salaries 2,200.00 2900.00

(c) Town report, fuel, office supplies 2.000.00 2000.00

(d) Contingent Account 1,000.00 1000.00

(e) Fire Dept. Equipment	2,000.00	2000.00
(f) Street Lights	750.00	750.00
(g) Fire Department (Men) (Carry Balance of $25.00)		25.00
(h) Civil Defense (Carry Balance of $274.20)		274.20
(i) Closing old and maintaining new Town Dump (Carry Bal. of $547.35)	1,000.00	1000.00
(j) Snow Removal for year 1973-1974 (All Excise Tax Money)		
(k) Surplus Food	300.00	300.00
(l) Old Age Assistance (Carry Balance of $57.37)	50.00	107.37
(m) Poor Relief	1,000.00	1000.00
(n) Veterans' Aid	25.00	25.00
(o) Community Building	1,000.00	1000.00
(p) Cemetery and Flags	850.00	850.00
(q) Interest on Loans	1,000.00	1000.00
(r) Maine Community Betterment	150.00	150.00
(s) Pine Tree Blister Rust Control	600.00	600.00
(t) Maine Municipal Assoc. Bldg. Fd.	152.74	152.74
(u) Maine Municipal Assoc. Dues	177.60	177.60
(v) Town Planning Board	100.00	100.00

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to Contract with the Liberty Volunteer Ambulance Service, Inc. for ambulance service for one (1) year under the following terms:

A. Pay a sum of $200.00 per year as a retainer fee: 200.00

B. Guarantee Payment of Fees for those persons who do not make payment after three (3) notices. (Fee per run is $20.00 plus $.55 per loaded mile. Persons holding subscriptions are excluded from this clause.)

Art. 29. To elect necessary members to the Planning Board. Paul Cross M. Collins John Shanich H. Lucas

Art. 30. To have a report from the Planning Board.

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to retain all town property until such time as the Selectmen and the Planning Board can properly assess its value to the Community. Yes

Art. 32. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to contract the plowing and sanding account for a period of one year on terms they deem advisable. Not Carried

Art. 33. To see what sum the Town will appropriate out of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds as an addition to the Fire House Building Fund. $3,500.00 3500.00

Art. 34. To see what sum the Town will appropriate out of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the locating and developing a new Town Dump. $5,500.00 5500.00

Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and

dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit claim deeds for such property, provided that such property has been assessed as of no significant value to the Community. (See Art. 31.)

The Registrar of Voters will be at the New School House at nine o'clock, Eastern Standard Time, in the morning on the 10th day of March, A. D., 1973 for correcting the voting list.

A true copy, attest:

FRANKLIN A. PETERS

DOROTHY ALBIN

EDWARD J. RENAUD, JR.

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